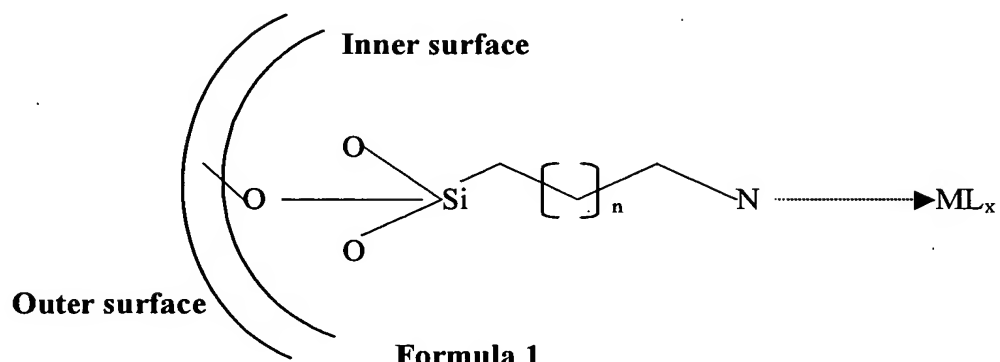


**ABSTRACT**

The present invention provides a novel immobilized metal complex catalyst of the formula I



wherein M is a Group VIII metal, n is an integer with a value between 2 and 6,  $ML_x$  is an organometallic complex.